

Greetings from SP Fort Hospital & College of Nursing

Kerala's capital - The city derives its name from the deity at the SreeAnanthaPadmanabhaswami Temple, one of the major landmarks of the place. The name of the city is derived from the words Thiru-Anantha-Puram, meaning the town of Lord Anantha. For obvious reasons still often referred to by its colonial name, Trivandrum- is an energetic place. Most travellers merely springboard from here to the nearby beachside resorts, but Trivandrum has enough sights and cluster of Victorian museums in glorious buildings. The city is home to Central and State government offices and organizations. Apart from being the political nerve centre of Kerala, it is also a major academic hub and is home to several educational institutions including the University of Kerala, and many science and technology institutions.

SP Fort Hospital, first ISO certified multi - disciplinary Super Specialty Hospital in South Kerala.The serene environment of the hospital is filled with a healing spiritual air. SP Fort College of Nursing (Estd: 2011), being one of the colleges of its kind to offer B.Sc. Nursing Degree Course. Our focus is on overall development of an individual geared towards addressing the healthy changes emerging from the existing health issues of the 21<sup>st</sup> century in tune with the National Health Policies and Programmes. Our institution aims at developing good value system in students to face challenges of the dynamic world.

Qualitative research is about exploring issues, understanding phenomena & answering questions by analyzing & making sense of unstructured data. The use of qualitative research methods proliferates throughout health care, specifically nursing research studies, there is a need for nursing to become informed regarding the potential utility of qualitative research findings in practice.It provides insights into the problem or helps to develop ideas or hypotheses for potential quantitative research. *In our scenario nursing professionals usually go through quantitative data methods while qualitative research & its finding has an ample scope in health care industry.*

Aim

This conference aims to provide clear picture of different aspects of qualitative research and its implication in nursing profession to promote nurses to be a part of developing knowledge base for profession.

Objectives

On completion of the national conference, the delegates will be able to

- understand qualitative research.
- understand different methodological approaches to qualitative research
- develop knowledge of conducting in-depth interviews, ethnographic observation, organising and running focus groups etc
- develop skills to analyse qualitative data using a thematic approach
- provide practitioners contemplating or undertaking qualitative research for the first time with guidance on the collection, analysis and presentation of data.

The sessions are premeditated by experts who are rich in experience, willing to share their proficiency & aims to disseminate their vision to the participants. This conference will also provide a platform for nurses from all over the country to network, share their experience & learn from one another.

Invitation

On behalf of SP Fort College of Nursing, Management, Principal & Faculty invite you for the NATIONAL CONFERENCE on November 21<sup>st</sup>&v 22<sup>nd</sup> 2014.

Organizing Chairperson

Prof. N. G Vijayalekshmi.  
Principal, SP Fort College of Nursing.

Organizing Convener

Mrs. Sara Wendy Salu  
Asst. Professor

Scientific Committee Chairperson

Mrs. Meera S.R  
Asso. Professor

Who can be the participant?

- Faculty
- Academicians
- Research Scholars
- PG Students
- Nurse Managers
- Staff Nurses

Credit Hours

KNMC endorsed 15 credit hours as per order  
No C. 3756/14/NC-CNE dated 11/07/2014

Call for paper / poster presentation

Abstracts are invited on topics relevant to the theme of the conference. Only registered delegates can present paper / poster. Abstracts of not more than 350 words (typed in Times New Roman font, Font size 12 in IMRAD format) should reach the chair person before October 30<sup>th</sup> 2014 (both hard & soft copy). The selected candidates will be intimated through mail.

The abstract should contain

- Name of authors& co authors
- Department & institution
- Address with email id
- Signature of the presenting author.

Poster Size - 4ft x 3 ft

Entries could be as individual or groups of up to 3 members.

*The registration fee is payable by DD in favor of Conference, SP Fort College of Nursing payable at Thiruvananthapuram. Lunch, Evening Tea on 21<sup>st</sup>&22<sup>nd</sup> November 2014 are included in the package.*

*Registration form enclosed*  
**Registration fee does not include accomodation**